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**AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Application Number	09/754,687
Confirmation Number	2886
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Filing Date	January 3, 2001
First Named Inventor	Karla M. Robotti
Examiner	Brian R. Gordon
Group Art	1/1/3
Title	Methods of Using Chemical-Mechanical Micro valve Devices for the Selective Separation of Components from Multi-Component Fluid Samples

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the final Office Action dated October 23, 2003, for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before January 23, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. In view of the amendments and remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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